



March 25, 2011

ENGROSSED HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 6

DIGEST OF HJ0006 (Updated March 23, 2011 9:49 am - DI 84)

Citations Affected: Article 1 of the Indiana Constitution.

Synopsis: Marriage. Provides that only marriage between one man and one woman shall be valid or recognized as a marriage in Indiana. Provides that a legal status identical or substantially similar to that of marriage for unmarried individuals shall not be valid or recognized. This proposed amendment has not been previously agreed to by a general assembly.

Effective: This proposed amendment must be agreed to by two consecutive general assemblies and ratified by a majority of the state's voters voting on the question to be effective.

**Turner, Cheatham, Culver, Stemler, Behning,
Borders, Bosma, Brown T, Burton, Davis,
Dodge, Espich, Foley, Friend, Frizzell, Frye R,
Gutwein, Heaton, Heuer, Koch, Lehe, Lehman,
Lutz, McClain, Messmer, Morris, Neese, Noe,
Pond, Richardson, Smith M, Speedy,
Thompson, Turner, Ubelhor, Wesco, Yarde**
(SENATE SPONSORS — KRUSE, BANKS, TOMES, YODER, SCHNEIDER,
SMITH J, BUCK)

January 20, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on the Judiciary.
February 7, 2011, reported — Do Pass.
February 10, 2011, read second time, ordered engrossed. Engrossed.
February 15, 2011, read third time, passed. Yeas 70, nays 26.

SENATE ACTION

February 17, 2011, read first time, referred to Committee on Judiciary.
March 24, 2011, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2010 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to Article 1 of the Indiana Constitution concerning marriage.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the
2 State of Indiana is proposed and agreed to by this, the One Hundred
3 Seventeenth General Assembly of the State of Indiana, and is referred
4 to the next General Assembly for reconsideration and agreement.
5 SECTION 2. ARTICLE 1 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
6 STATE OF INDIANA IS AMENDED BY ADDING A **NEW**
7 SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS: **Section 38. Only a marriage**
8 **between one (1) man and one (1) woman shall be valid or**
9 **recognized as a marriage in Indiana. A legal status identical or**
10 **substantially similar to that of marriage for unmarried individuals**
11 **shall not be valid or recognized.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred House Joint Resolution 6, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said resolution do pass.

FOLEY, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 8, nays 4.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred House Joint Resolution No. 6, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said resolution DO PASS.

(Reference is made to House Joint Resolution 6 as printed February 8, 2011.)

BRAY, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 7, 3 Nays.

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